FISCAL NOTE

SB 2633 - HB 3294

March 6, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Defines "adult emergency dental services" and includes such services within the health care safety net for the uninsured.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,823,400/One-Time \$11,623,800/Recurring

Assumptions:

- Currently, the Department of Health has 53 dental clinics in 52 rural counties. Operations vary from one to five days per week and are staffed by 14 full-time dentists and 26 part-time dentists. The Department estimates the need for an additional 46 dentists and 46 dental assistants resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$8,781,077 to implement the provisions of the bill in the rural health departments.
- The \$8,781,077 includes one-time expenditures of \$248,400 for office set-up and recurring expenditures of \$8,532,677 for salaries (\$5,488,260), benefits (\$1,885,217), administrative allocation (\$726,800), office leases (\$377,200), and supplies (\$55,200).
- The Department contracts services for Davidson County and estimates that the increase in recurring expenditures to implement the provisions of this bill will be \$2,149,100.
- The Department estimates an increase in one-time expenditures of \$837,400 for dental equipment for the rural clinics and Davidson County.
- The Department of Health assumes the expansion of dental services to underserved areas by creating four rural dental clinics staffed by four dentists and four dental assistants resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$763,572.
- The \$763,572 includes one-time expenditures of \$21,600 for office setup and recurring expenditures of \$741,972 for salaries (\$477,240), benefits (\$163,932), administrative allocation (\$63,200), office leases (\$32,800), and supplies (\$4,800).
- There will be an increase in one-time expenditures of \$716,000 for building renovations (\$240,000) and dental equipment (\$476,000) and

recurring expenditures of \$200,000 for dental supplies for the four new rural dental clinics.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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